

PANAMA LOTTERIES WILL BE BARRED AFTER 1921

It has been decreed that the reign of the goddess of chance in Panama shall end. An amendment discontinuing the national lottery in the Republic of Panama after December 31, 1921, was attached to the municipal taxes bill, passed by the National Assembly and signed by the President, said advices to the State Department this afternoon.

BAND CONCERT

BY THE SOLDIERS' HOME BAND THIS EVENING IN STANLEY HALL BEGINNING AT 8:15 O'CLOCK. JOHN S. M. ZIMMERMANN, Director. March, "For the Nation's Honor" Friedman Overture, "The Amazon" Kelsner Song for Cornet, "Somewhere a Voice Is Calling" Tate Excerpts from "A Trip to Japan" Klein Intermezzo, "Poppies" Moret Waltz Suite, "Violeta" Waldteufel Finale, "The Dixie Rube" Allen "The Star-Spangled Banner."

S. AMERICAN PACTS OVERSEAS UNLIKELY

European alliances with South American republic in the immediate future were held high improbable by Latin-American diplomats here today.

Commenting on persistent Paris rumors that Argentina, Chile, and possibly other republics are courting treaties with certain continental powers to offset growing Pan-Americanism, the diplomats were unanimous that Rank and file of their people favor Pan-Americanism.

European alliances would hinder their after-war internal development programs. Wasn't Vitality Affect Relations. It was the Argentine opinion that the peace conference program and the increasing prestige of the United States as a world power will not vitally affect past relations of the United States toward South America.

The United States, Great Britain and France, it was pointed out, all have availed themselves of war credits extended the entente by Buenos Aires and that reciprocal economic assistance from all three powers in the development of Argentina's resources is welcomed and expected.

Last vestiges of German prestige in Argentina are declared to have been wiped out with the end of the war, and it is learned that the republic is prepared to co-operate with the entente in eliminating the menace left in the extensive German money holdings and enterprises.

Beltran Mathieu, Chilean ambassador, says that his country is interested just now only in developing its resources and that it has no time for foreign political alliances. He predicts a continued stabilization of governments in South America, and is of the belief that there is no feeling of uneasiness toward the assumption of world obligations by the United States.

Possible Insurgent Factors. Argentina and Chile have been regarded as possible insurgent factors in the Pan-American scheme, since their failure to follow the United States into the war.

European alliances for Venezuela, Colombia, and Mexico, the other Latin-American neutrals, also have been suggested. Great Britain would not enter upon such treaties, it is held, owing to former understandings with the United States and because this country could jeopardize her American possessions in retaliation. France, Germany, and Spain are mentioned as possible treaty factors.

None of these could render military aid to their proteges, diplomats declare, and the alliances would be economic rather than political, with reciprocal trade exchanges and social advantages. The big objection to such alliances is held to be the possibility of encroachment upon the Monroe doctrine.

LIFE TERM FOR WOMAN WHO POISONED HUSBAND

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 14.—Life imprisonment was the sentence pronounced yesterday upon Mrs. Annie Monahan for poisoning her husband. Mrs. Monahan has had three experiences with the law in connection with alleged poisonings. She was tried upon the charge of poisoning her first husband, who was a brother of the husband for the taking or whose life she was sentenced. She had been married three and each of her husbands died under mysterious circumstances.

Mrs. Monahan was arrested in July, 1913, on suspicion that she had poisoned her niece, Miss Jennie McNamee. The motive ascribed was the securing of \$2,000 life insurance.

WOOD SCARCE IN MOSCOW; PRICES MAKE BIG JUMP

Wood is so scarce in Moscow that the price has jumped to from 800 to 1,000 rubles a carriage load, according to Russian advices reaching the State Department this afternoon.

The people are compelled to work in their overcoats, as the weather is never warmer than 41 degrees Fahrenheit. Street car traffic is only maintained between 8 o'clock in the morning and 8 at night, except on Fridays and Sundays, when all traffic is suspended. The dispatch adds that only the main street in Moscow is lighted at night.

Who's Back From the War

A daily list of men in the Army, Navy and Marine Corps who have returned to Washington after service overseas or in camps in this country. If you want your friends to know you're home, write to The Times or phone Main 5260, Branch 101.

- Major W. S. Sheets, R. F. D. 3, Silver Spring, Md.
- Capt. E. H. Johansen, Commercial Club.
- Lieut. Randolph C. Shaw, 1419 R street northwest.
- Lieut. Robert S. Boyd, 1511 Twenty-second street northwest.
- Sgt. John B. Watson, 517 Tenth street northeast.
- Sgt. Charles R. Simpson, 66 Adams street northwest.
- Corporal W. E. Balderson, 805 Tenth street northwest.
- Corporal R. W. Dillon, 625 E street southeast.
- Corporal A. T. Speck, 2222 Shannon place southeast.
- Private William L. Bolac, 111 Seaton street northwest.
- Private S. H. Boon, 1111 P street northwest.
- Private James E. Bragg, United States Shipping Board.
- Private De Ruyter Butler, 1624 O street northwest.
- Private William H. Courtney, 730 Lawrence street northeast.
- Private Henry Dinan, 406 Sixth street northwest.
- Private Damon Evans, 1310 Twelfth street northwest.
- Private Richard W. Gant, 414 D street southeast.
- Private Elmer Garner, 623 M street southwest.
- Private Edward Gayer, Camp Hill, Newport News, Va.
- Private A. C. Gibe, 1628 L street northwest.
- Private Daniel P. Hickling, jr., 1304 Rhode Island avenue northwest.
- Private Clarence M. Homer, 805 Tenth street northwest.
- Private William S. King, 45 K street northeast.
- Private Edwin Lynch, 364 Newton street.
- Private Thomas N. Lynch, Camp Hill, Va.
- Private Joseph L. Mattingly, 320 Sixth street northeast.
- Private David Rosenberg, 318 New York avenue northwest.
- Private Harry Stailey, Riverdale, Md.
- Private William A. Thomas, Camp Merritt, N. J.
- Private James G. Thompson, 1600 You street southeast.
- Private Francis J. Van Reth, 16 Girard street northeast.
- Private William Thomas Walsh, 1343 Kearney street, Brookland.
- Private Benjamin Zarin, 129 Thomas street northwest.

Former Premier Asquith's Daughter to Wed



Formal announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Elizabeth Asquith, daughter of Herbert H. Asquith, former prime minister of Great Britain, to Prince Antoine Bibesco, counselor at the Roumanian legation, according to a report from London. Prince Bibesco was at one time first secretary at the Roumanian legation in Washington. Miss Asquith was last year reported to be engaged to Stephen McKenna, nephew of former Premier Arthur J. Balfour.

LOVELORN SOLDIER WOMEN VOTERS COMMITS SUICIDE MAY BEAT MEN

CAMP DEVENS, Mass., Feb. 14.—Love for a pretty Southern girl he left at home when he joined the colors was said by camp officials today to solve the mystery of the death of Corp. Maynard J. Padgett, whose body was found in the woods on the rifle range.

Padgett was the son of David Padgett of Peru, Va., and was a member of Company A, Thirty-sixth United States Infantry. He shot himself through the head. In a notebook in the corporal's pocket was a request that whoever found the body should not remove a locket that was hung around Padgett's neck, as he wanted it with him to the last. In the locket was the picture of a girl. On a page of the notebook another picture of the same girl was pasted, and on the opposite page was a note addressed to her. It read to the effect that "You seem very near to me tonight, but nevertheless good-bye."

The soldier was twenty-five years old and had appeared melancholy since letters ceased to come regularly from his sweetheart.

YANKS AND ALLIES IN RUSSIA ARE WELL FED

"American soldiers and allied troops doing duty in the eastern and central part of Russia were in fine condition, warmly clad, well fed and in splendid spirits, according to all reports available at Vladivostok when I left," said Capt. Oliver Tracey Logan, of the American Red Cross medical service at Red Cross headquarters. Captain Logan left Vladivostok on January 19.

Captain Logan says all reports indicated great distress and destitution among the people in the territory adjacent to the Transiberian Railway. In many of these places the people have money, but lack of supplies owing to disorganized transportation renders it practically useless.

ARMY TO BE RID OF "EGOCENTRICS"

Modern methods of treating military prisoners and of keeping them liable to become delinquents out of the army, recommended by the recent conference here of commanders of disciplinary barracks, have been approved by Secretary Baker. It is announced that the adjutant general had been instructed to see that sixteen specific recommendations, which involve important changes both in recruiting machinery and in the handling of offenders, are worked out in regulations. The situation at Leavenworth barracks, where 3,000 prisoners went on strike some time ago and now are quiet and working under an "armistice agreement," played a considerable part in the deliberations. A survey of the inmates of Leavenworth made by the medical department disclosed that there are three groups among the prisoners, the first, including two-thirds of the whole, being classified as men who are military offenders "from an excessively egocentric personality." By this, it was explained, is meant men who are "individualistic, opinionated, self-willed, or vain to an extreme degree."

Vocational education at the prisons was featured in the report, which also urged that men dropped from the rolls as deserters after an absence of three months, but who subsequently surrender voluntarily, be sent to the disciplinary barracks for trial so that an adequate study of their mental condition might be a factor in determining punishment.

HICCUGH EPIDEMIC STRIKES DANVILLE

DANVILLE, Va., Feb. 14.—The medical fraternity of Danville is something more than puzzled over what seems to be a general epidemic of hiccoughs which has become a daily prevalent. The fits vary in duration from a few hours to intermittent spasms lasting twenty-four hours.

City Collector R. H. Herndon hiccoughed for forty-eight hours, and for a while his condition was alarming. Druggists say they never before filled so many prescriptions for the malady as they are doing now. Scores, not deeming medical aid necessary, ask the druggists to prescribe. In stubborn cases ether is being given internally; soda mint and ammonia has proved effective, while some give calomel, because the recurring spasm is due to the stomach.

Some physicians are inclined to believe that hiccoughing, which is generally violent while it lasts, is an aftermath of influenza. One doctor who has prescribed for several sufferers believes it is due to certain canned foods.

KILLED BY FALL FROM WAGON. HAGERSTOWN, Md., Feb. 14.—Mrs. Florence Stover, aged thirty-six, wife of Wesley Stover, a farmer living near Eakle's Mill, this county, fell from a wagon when the vehicle stopped at the barn yesterday, breaking her neck. Death was instantaneous. The woman only fell a few feet. She is survived by her husband.

TABOO FAKE INSIGNIA. Continuing its effort to check the sale of unauthorized insignia and decorations to returning troops, the War Department issued orders yesterday forbidding post exchanges to handle any but officially sanctioned devices for military uniforms.

SEIZE HARD CIDER. PORT HURON, Mich., Feb. 14.—Police seized thirty-one barrels of elder today on the charge that the soft drink was too hard to pass muster under the dry law.

GERMANS GREEDY FOR "PLEASURES" ROB OFFICER OF \$45, THEN GIVE HIM \$1

BERLIN, Feb. 14.—Members of the American mission, talking with German officials, said they could find no evidence of starvation or want in the cities, though the rural population in some districts doubtless was suffering. The Americans declared, however, that the "greed for pleasure" in the larger cities is enormous.

TO RESTOCK TROUT STREAMS. HAGERSTOWN, Md., Feb. 14.—Plans are being made for restocking the trout streams of this section of Maryland with fish from the State hatchery at Lewistown, Md. There are 1,000,000 brook trout and several hundred thousand rainbow trout at the hatchery ready for distribution early in March.

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Held up at the point of a revolver by three young white men while driving his automobile along Conduit near New Cut road, early today, Capt. Arthur M. Wilmot, U. S. A., stationed at the Government buildings at Nineteenth and B streets northwest, was robbed of a pocketbook containing \$45. The police of the Seventh precinct were told that the three men, armed with revolvers, stopped the machine and ordered the army officer and a young woman, who was with him, out of the car. The highwaymen, after rifling the army officer's pockets, tossed him a dollar bill and then disappeared. Captain Wilmot furnished the police with a description of the three highwaymen.

EATS WITH STRAW NOW. CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 14.—Soup was the prospective menu for William Allen today. Thieves ransacked his apartments last night and stole his false teeth.

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